

Macon County



MACON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
APRIL 12, 2022
6 P.M.
AGENDA

1. Call to order and welcome by Chairman Tate
2. Announcements
 - (A) Recognition of Rotary Club members for work on service project on county-owned property – Commissioner Beale
3. Moment of Silence
4. Pledge of Allegiance
5. Public Hearing(s) – **6 p.m.** – Angie Kinsland, 911 Addressing Coordinator
 - (A) To consider proposed names for new roads in Macon County and to assign a range of road numbers in connection with the same, to consider requests for road name changes, to change the range of numbers for certain roads, to consider requests for deletion of certain roads and to consider a change of range of numbers for certain roads.

At the close of the public hearing, the board may choose to take action on any or all of the items listed above.
6. Public Comment Period
7. Additions to agenda
8. Adjustments to and approval of the agenda
9. Reports/Presentations
 - (A) Proposed change to Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act Consortium – David Garrett, Southwestern Commission Workforce Director
 - (B) Discussion regarding Environmental Health staffing issues at Macon County Public Health – Commissioner Higdon

- (C) Discussion regarding safety concerns and condition of Nantahala EMS building and work on Nantahala library/community building – Commissioner Higdon
- (D) Proposed changes to Animal Control Ordinance – Kathy McGaha, Public Health Director

10. Old Business

- (A) Consideration of change order for Macon Middle School renovation project – Jack Morgan

11. New Business

- (A) Request for new position – John Fay, Housing Director
- (B) Recommendation from the Community Funding Pool – (presenter to be determined)
- (C) Proposed Child and Family Specialty Plan Medicaid Waiver – Commissioner Beale

12. Consent Agenda – Attachment #12

All items below are considered routine and will be enacted by one motion. No separate discussion will be held except on request of a member of the Board of Commissioners.

- (A) Minutes of the March 8, 2022 regular meeting and the March 24, 2022 called meeting
- (B) Budget Amendments #220-231
- (C) Tax releases for March 2022
- (D) Capital Project Ordinance for Greenway Improvements
- (E) GPRS contract for underground location services at Franklin High School
- (F) Monthly ad valorem tax collection report – no action necessary

13. Appointments

- (A) Reappointment of Janet Greene as the ETJ representative on the Town of Franklin Planning Board
- (B) Southwestern NC HOME Consortium Board of Directors (1 seat)

14. Closed session as allowed under NCGS 143-318.11(a)(3) and NCGS 143-381.11(a)(5)

15. Adjourn/Recess

MACON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

AGENDA ITEM

CATEGORY – PUBLIC HEARINGS

MEETING DATE: April 12, 2022

We have one public hearing on the agenda involving road names, numbers and ranges of numbers, as follows:

- To discuss proposed names for new roads
- To assign a range of road numbers in connection with those newly named roads
- To consider requests for road name changes
- To consider requests to delete certain roads
- To consider a change in the range of numbers for certain roads

A copy of the notice of public hearing is included in the agenda packet, and the notice appeared in the March 23, 2022 edition of *The Franklin Press* as required.

Included in the packet is a list of the new roads and range of road numbers, road name changes, range changes and deletions.

Also included is a listing of where the notice was posted in each of the affected township(s).

Angie Kinsland, the county's 911 Addressing Coordinator, can speak to these matters in more detail at the meeting. Barring any unforeseen circumstances, this will likely mark Mrs. Kinsland's final time to appear before the board regarding road name/number matters, as she is retiring in May.

Immediately following the close of the public hearing, the board may consider taking action on any or all of the matters associated with this hearing by adopting an amendment to its ordinance concerning road names.

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Please take notice that the Macon County Board of County Commissioners will conduct a public hearing on Tuesday, April 12, 2022 at 6:00 o'clock, p.m. in the Commissioners Board Room located on the third floor of the Macon County Courthouse, located at 5 West Main Street, Franklin NC 28734, pursuant to the provisions of the N.C. Gen. Stat. 153A-239.1., to discuss proposed names for new roads in Macon County, North Carolina and to assign a range of road numbers in connection with the same, to consider requests for road name changes, to consider requests to delete certain roads and to consider a change of range of numbers for a certain roads.

The public is invited to attend this public hearing and the Macon County Board of Commissioners will receive public comment upon the foregoing. Thereafter, it is anticipated that the Macon County Board of County Commissioners will adopt an amendment to its ordinance concerning road names in order to name such new roads and assign a range of road numbers in connection with the same, to change the range of numbers for certain roads, to delete a road and to make changes to road names as it deems appropriate.

Any person with questions concerning this public hearing may contact the Macon County 911 Addressing Office Monday – Friday between 8:00 A.M. and 5:00 P.M. at (828) 349-2547.

Attached is a list of said new roads and the proposed names for each of the same and a proposed range of road numbers in connection with the same, the requested road name changes and the range of road number changes requested.

This, the 28th day of March, 2022

NEW ROADS AND RANGE OF ROAD NUMBERS

ROAD NAME	RANGE	INTERSECTION PT	TOWNSHIP
Azalea Branch Trl	1-101	Morgan Rd @ 294	Elijay
Barratt Ln	1-219	Satulah Rd @ 215	Highlands
Bartram Crest	1-240	Highlands Pass Trl @ 2309	Smithbridge
Bear Claw Rddg	1-250	Snow Hill Rd @ 784	Cowee
Boone Walk	1-401	Highlands Pass Trl @ 2134	Smithbridge
Climbing Trl	1-380	Highlands Pass @ 822	Smithbridge
Cottage Creek Ct	1-117	Forest Glen Trl @ 479	Burningtown
Diamond Ave	1-274	Prentiss Bridge Rd @ 681	Franklin
Douglas Hts	1-74	Little Choga Rd @	Nantahala
E Emerald Ave	1-85	N Gemstone Ave @	Franklin
E Ruby Trl	1-99	Diamond Ave @ 147	Franklin
Edelweiss Way	1-2466	Rocky Branch Rd @540	Elijay
Felix Speed Ln	1-351	Shortoff Rd @ 947	Highlands
Forest Glen Trl	1-700	Middle Burningtown Rd @ 51	Burningtown
Garden Trl	1-300	Kettle Rock Rd @ 514	Highlands
Gunsnoke Trl	1-145	Dan Mar Rd @ 366	Smithbridge
Highlands Pass Trl	1-2743	Hickory Knoll Ridge Rd @ 1047	Smithbridge
HP Preserve Rd	1-120	Highlands Pass Trl @ 684	Smithbridge
Jones Knob Rd	1-134	Hickory Gap Rd @ 1160	Smithbridge
KC Trl	1-189	South Skeenah Rd @ 1538	Franklin
Leah's Way	1	Little Choga Rd @	Nantahala
Legacy Ln	1-487	Peach Orchard Rd @ 56	Millshoal
Lightning Bug Trl	1-172	Hale Ridge Rd @	Flats
Matern Way	1-160	Choga Lodge Rd @ 50	Nantahala
Middle Creek Ln	1-106	W Highlands Way @ 9	Flats
Moss Overlook	1-196	Big Bearpen Rd @ 376	Highlands
N Gemstone Ave	1-174	Prentiss Bridge Rd @ 681	Franklin
N Moss Way	1-100	Bellevue Rd @ 409	Franklin
N Sapphire St	1-128	N Gemstone Ave @	Franklin

N Topaz St	1-414	N Gemstone Ave @	Franklin
Old Walnut Ln	1-188	Roller Mill Rd @ 950	Franklin
Pat's Ln	1-71	Davis Ln @ 335	Cowee
Pawprint Ln	1-180	Bear Pen Cv @ 299	Cowee
Pleasant Creek Ln	1-145	Haughton Williams Rd @ 545	Franklin
Rabbit Hole Trl	1-193	Holly Hills Vista Rd @ 437	Millshoal
Rail Way	1-105	Georgia Rd @ 3596	Franklin
Red Tail Hawk Rd	1-111	Lonesome Dove Ln @ 31	Millshoal
Simplicity Woods Dr	1-183	Clarks Chapel Rd @	Franklin
Stella Trl	1-74	Carter Rd @ 155	Millshoal
Wayah Rdbg S	1-36	Wayah Ridge Dr @ 15	Nantahala

ROAD NAME CHANGES

Cornerstone Dr	Range	Intersection Pt	Township	Requested Road Name
Wallalieu Gap Rd (only portion designated SR 1101)	1-199	Thunder Creek Rd @ 62	Cowee	The West's Pl
	1-399	Wallalieu Gap Rd @ 939	Smithbridge	Southern Pt

RANGE CHANGES

	Range	Intersection	Township	Old Range
Alpine Shores Ln	1-241	Wayah Rd @ 16100	Nantahala	1-181
Cool Breeze Rd	1-300	South Skeenah Rd @ 738	Franklin	1-202
Integrily Mountain Rd	1-142	Hannah Mountain Rd @ 1025	Smithbridge	1-194
Rainwater Pt	1-247	Indian Lake Rd @ 859	Nantahala	1-210
Watkins Creek Rd	1-200	Lakeside Rd @ 165	Flats	1-234
Buttercup Rdbg	1-263	Featherstone Dr @ 354	Elijay	1-135

DELETIONS

John Brown Rd	1-102	Tessentee Rd @ 4691	Smithbridge
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Location	Posted Date	Posting Time	Request to post granted	Township
Walden Tipton Post Office	Amy Sawyer	10:10	3/29/22	Nantahala
Nantahala Fire & Rescue	Steve Segre	10:20	3/29/22	Nantahala
Macon County Courthouse	Mr. Rencot	9:25	3/28/22	Franklin
Cowee Convenience Store	Malaysia Scott	9:10	3/29/22	Cowee
Cowee Fire Dept	Mr. Goss 1814	1:25	3/28/22	Cowee
Community BP	Johi Lerner	10:45	3/28/22	Elizajay
Cullasaja Fire Dept	Tim Miller	10:52	3/28/22	Elizajay
Macon County Library	Kelly Steward	9:40	3/28/22	Franklin
Highlands Fire Dept	Steve Segre	10:45	3/29/22	Highlands
Highlands Town Office	Michael B. Walker	10:55	3/29/22	Highlands
Mountain Valley Fire Dept	Steve Segre	3:50	3/29/22	Millshoal
Ridgecrest Exxon	Steve Segre	10:30	3/28/22	Millshoal
Otto Post Office	Carl Miller	10:00	3/28/22	Smithbridge
Otto Fire Dept	Steve Segre	4:55	3/28/22	Smithbridge
West Macon Fire & Rescue				Cartoogechaye
Loafers Glory				Cartoogechaye
Burningtown Fire Dept	Sam Bitt	9:08	3/29/22	Burningtown
Burningtown Fire Dept	David Whitbeck	3/29/22	9:05	Burningtown

Scaly Mountain Post Office *John Johnson* 1:10 3/29/22

Flats

Sky Valley Scaly Fire Dept *Kay Stuckum* 12:10 3/29/22

Flats

Pine Grove Community Building

Sugarfork

Jackson's Hole

Sugarfork

Franklin Fire Dept

Franklin

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MACON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

AGENDA ITEM

CATEGORY – REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS

MEETING DATE: APRIL 12, 2022

9A. David Garrett, the Southwestern Commission Workforce Director, will be at the meeting to discuss a proposed change to the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act Consortium. A copy of the “Articles of Association and Agreement for the Southwestern Workforce Development Consortium,” dated 03.01.2022, is included in the packet for your information and review, and Article III, Item 4 is the highlighted change. Commissioner Shields is currently acting as the Chief Elected Official for the consortium. In another matter, please see the enclosed “Realignment Opposition White Paper: January 2022,” as the Southwestern Workforce Development Board (SWDB) is opposed to the realignment of the SWDB into a prosperity zone, and the reasons for that opposition are outlined in this document. Mr. Garrett can expound on both of these matters at the meeting.

9B. Commissioner Higdon has requested time on the agenda to discuss staffing issues in the Environmental Health section at Macon County Public Health. In connection with that, I have asked HR Analyst Tammy Keezer to prepare a spreadsheet that outlines ongoing recruitment efforts for the open environmental health specialist positions, and a copy of that is included in the packet.

9C. Commissioner Higdon would also like to discuss safety concerns and the condition of the Nantahala EMS building, as well as work on the proposed Nantahala library/community building.

9D. Public Health Director Kathy McGaha will present a list of recommended changes to the Macon County Animal Control Ordinance. A copy of that list, which contains 13 prioritized items, is included in the

packet for your information and review, and Mrs. McGaha can provide further insight at the meeting.

ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION AND AGREEMENT FOR THE
SOUTHWESTERN WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT CONSORTIUM

ARTICLE I. TITLE AND PURPOSE

The contiguous units of local government listed below agree to establish a consortium pursuant to the provisions of N.C. G.S. Section 160A-464(1) to act jointly as a Workforce Investment Area under the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA), Public Law 113-128 as enacted July 22, 2014. This consortium shall be known as the Southwestern Workforce Development Consortium.

ARTICLE II. MEMBERSHIP

The consortium shall be composed of the following independent and contiguous units of general purpose local government: Cherokee County, Clay County, Graham County, Haywood County, Jackson County, Macon County, and Swain County.

ARTICLE III. CERTIFICATION OF AUTHORITY

1. AUTHORITY UNDER STATE AND LOCAL LAW

In accordance with N.C. G.S. Section 160A-460, the member counties of the Southwestern Workforce Development Consortium certify that they possess full legal authority, provided by state and local law, to enter into this agreement and to fulfill the legal and financial requirements of operating as a Workforce Investment Area the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act for the entire geographic area covered by this agreement.

2. SPECIFIC RESOLUTIONS TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENT

In accordance with N.C. G.S. Section 160A-461, a copy of the duly executed resolution and appropriate board meeting minutes giving the respective counties specific authority to enter into this consortium agreement will be attached to this document and are incorporated herein by reference.

3. DESIGNATION OF CHIEF ELECTED OFFICIALS FROM EACH MEMBER UNIT OF GOVERNMENT

Each member unit of government designates as chief elected official for Workforce Innovation and opportunity Act purposes, upon whose representations the State, the Workforce Development Board, the administrative entity and the other member units may rely, the duly elected Chairman of each representative County Board of Commissioners. If any county member of the consortium desires, it may designate any member of its Board as its "Chief Elected Official" for WIOA purposes, in lieu of having its Chairman serve in such capacity. Unless otherwise notified of such designation of another member of its Board, each county shall be deemed to have designated its Chairman as its "Chief Elected Official" for WIOA purposes. Such person shall be the signatory of this agreement and shall be authorized to execute such other agreements as are necessary for Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act purposes.

4. The member units provide that the Chair (or designated appointee) of the Haywood County Board of Commissioners shall be authorized to exercise the functions of the Workforce

Development local area Chief Elected Official which are required under the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act for a period of two program years beginning July 1, 2015 and ending June 30, 2017. Thereafter the Chair of Macon County Board of Commissioners (or designated appointee) shall preside as Chief Elected Official for the local Workforce Development Area for two program years, followed by the Chair of the Graham County Board of Commissioners (or designated appointee) for two program years, the Chair of the Clay County Board of Commissioners for two program years, the Chair of the Cherokee County Board of Commissioners (or designated appointee) for two program years, the Chair of the Swain County Board of Commissioners (or designated appointee) for two program years and the Chair of the Jackson County Board of Commissioners (or designated appointee) for two program years. Thereafter the rotation among counties begins again with the Chair of the Haywood County Commissioners (or designated appointee) serving as the Chief Elected Official for the local Workforce Development Area for two program years.

ARTICLE IV. DURATION

In accordance with N.C. G.S. Section 160A-464(2), this agreement shall become effective on the date of the last County Commissioner Chairman's signature and shall continue in effect until the local Workforce Development Area is re-designated by the Governor of North Carolina or by termination of this Agreement by a member unit of government as provided for in Article XI.

ARTICLE V. ASSURANCES AND CERTIFICATIONS

The member units will comply with the requirements of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act, and regulations promulgated there under, all other applicable federal regulations, the statutes of the State of North Carolina, and written directives and instructions relevant to local workforce development area operation from the Governor of North Carolina or his/her designee.

ARTICLE VI. FINANCING

1. In accordance with N.C. G.S. Section 160A-464(5), it is anticipated that funding necessary to implement this agreement will be derived from federal grant funds received through the Governor.
2. The units of local government acknowledge that they are jointly and severally accountable for liabilities arising out of activities under the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act, and all funds received by the local workforce development area pursuant to WIOA. Liability includes, but is not limited to, responsibility for prompt repayment from non-program funds of any disallowed costs by the administrative entity of the local workforce development area, or any of its sub recipients or contractors, or the Workforce Development Board.

3. Nothing contained in this Article (VI) shall be interpreted so as to prohibit the member county or counties from seeking contribution or indemnification from and sub-recipient, service provider, contractor, or from any other such responsible person or entity.
4. Any entity of joint agency created or designated by this local workforce development area, including the Workforce Development Board, and Administrative Entity, shall be considered a public agency for the purposes of the Local Government Budget and Fiscal Control Act.

ARTICLE viI. ESTABLISHMENT OF SOUTHWESTERN WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD

The member units of government agree that the Southwestern Workforce Development Board shall be established in accordance with Section 107 of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act and applicable State of North Carolina laws including G.S. 143B-438.11

The Chief Elected Official, as noted in Article II. 4., shall appoint members of the Workforce Development Board from among persons nominated in accordance with the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act.

The composition of the Southwestern Workforce Development Board shall conform with the requirements of Section 107 of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act.

ARTICLE VI". APPOINTMENT OF PERSONNEL

Appointment of personnel shall be as described in the Southwestern Workforce Development Board/Chief elected Official Agreement.

ARTICLE REAL PROPERTY, EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES

The Southwestern Workforce Development Consortium will follow all Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act requirements governing the title, use and disposition of real property, equipment and supplies purchased with federal funds.

ARTILCE X. AMMENDMENTS

In accordance with N.C. G.S. Section 160A-464(7), this agreement may be amended at any time upon the consent of all parties as evidenced by resolution of the Chairmen of the Boards of Commissioners of the undersigned units of local government and as approved by the State.

ARTICLE XI. TERMINATION

In accordance with N.C. G.S. Section 160A-464(8), the undersigned units of local government may request termination of this agreement at any time upon six months prior written notice, such termination to be effective when the Governor considers local Workforce Development Area redesignations or at the end of the then current grant administration agreement program year.

ARTICLE X". RATIFICATION

This agreement shall be effective upon ratification by the Boards of Commissioners of each of the undersigned units of local government.

CHEROKEE COUNTY

Signed this the ____ day of _____, 2022

Printed name

Signature

Chairman, Board of County Commissioners
Cherokee County

CLAY COUNTY

Signed this the ____ day of _____, 2022

Printed name

Signature

Chairman, Board of County Commissioners
Clay County

GRAHAM COUNTY

Signed this the ____ day of _____, 2022

Printed name

Signature

Chairman, Board of County Commissioners
Graham County

HAYWOOD COUNTY

Signed this the ____ day of _____, 2022

Printed name

Signature

Chairman, Board of County Commissioners
Haywood County

JACKSON COUNTY

Signed this the ____ day of _____, 2022

Printed name

Signature

Chairman, Board of County Commissioners
Jackson County

MACON COUNTY

Signed this the ____ day of _____, 2022

Printed name

Signature

Chairman, Board of County Commissioners
Macon County

SWAIN COUNTY

Signed this the ____ day of _____, 2022

Printed name

Signature

Chairman, Board of County Commissioners
Swain County



REALIGNMENT OPPOSITION WHITE PAPER: January 2022

The Southwestern Workforce Development Board (SWDB) is the designated planning and administrative area to receive funds from the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) for Cherokee, Clay, Graham, Haywood, Jackson, Macon, and Swain Counties. The SWDB and the Chief Elected Official, Gary Shields, are opposed to the realignment of SWDB into a prosperity zone. We do not support the statewide realignment as proposed by the NC Department of Commerce and the NC Works Commission for the following reasons:

- SWDB region was designated by the North Carolina Division of Workforce Solutions (NCDWS) based on factors such as common community growth patterns anchored by metropolitan and micropolitan statistical areas, shared labor pools, commuting patterns, coordinated economic development strategies, regional alignment with state and federal programs and services, and empowered to carry out programs and services that are of mutual interests to member governments within Region A.
- SWDB is already successfully aligned with the Council of Government or COG, also known as the Southwestern NC Planning and Economic Commission or the Southwestern Commission.
- SWDB's current alignment is to the Southwestern Commission, which serves as the designated Economic Development District through the United States Department of Commerce: Economic Development Administration or EDA.
- The Southwestern Commission successfully serves as the fiscal agent and administrative entity for the SWDB's WIOA programs.
- SWDB and the Southwestern Commission work together to align the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy to improve the local area's workforce infrastructure, and to provide a skilled workforce for area job seekers and employers.
- SWDB has developed numerous strategic partnerships to improve the prosperity of the seven counties within Region A which would be threatened in a realignment.
- SWDB works with and supports the Mountain West Partnership which is a collective organization of the County Economic Development Directors in Region A.
- SWDB applies local and regional workforce solutions to address common issues or opportunities within our rural area to coordinate state and federal program service delivery. Rural areas oftentimes do not succeed with the solutions applied in larger metro areas.
- Historically, the majority of funding in the State gets allocated to larger metro areas because of the population base. That has been an acceptable and understandable practice.

What is not acceptable is the realignment of SWDB to the prosperity zone would more than likely follow the same narrative ensuring our rural counties would be overlooked and their needed funding be redirected to counties with larger populations.

Because of these reasons and our commitment to serving our rural area we request to retain the current designation, geographic boundary, and appointed entities to carry out WIOA programs and activities, and that we do not support any final recommendation that separates these seven counties, merges them into larger areas, or consolidates other workforce boards into the region served by the Southwestern Workforce Development Board.

Current state-wide Board map

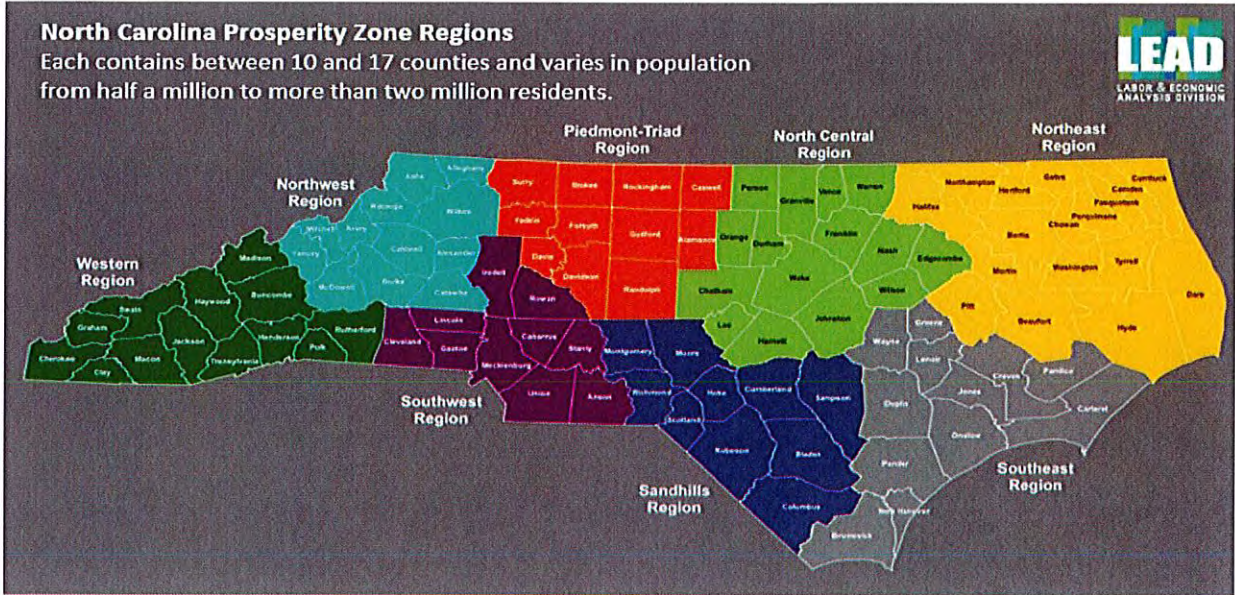
North Carolina Workforce Development Boards



- Cape Fear Workforce Development Board
- Capital Area Workforce Development Board
- Centralina Workforce Development Board
- Charlotte Works
- Cumberland County Workforce Development Board
- DavidsonWorks Workforce Development Board
- Durham Workforce Development Board
- Eastern Carolina Workforce Development Board
- Gaston County Workforce Development Board
- Guilford Workforce Development Board
- High Country Workforce Development Board
- Kerr-Tar Workforce Development Board
- Lumber River Workforce Development Board
- Mountain Area Workforce Development Board
- Northeastern Workforce Development Board
- Piedmont Triad Regional Workforce Development Board

- Region C Workforce Development Board
- Regional Partnership Workforce Development Board
- Rivers East Workforce Development Board
- Southwestern Workforce Development Board
- Triangle South Workforce Development Board
- Turning Point Workforce Development Board
- Western Piedmont Workforce Development Board

Proposed map



Macon County HR
Environmental Health Specialist Recruitment
Updated April 7, 2022

POSITION	February	March	April	May
<p>Environmental Health Specialist Total Candidates - 8 5 from County HR efforts Only 1 followed through with complete application through NC Works.</p>	<p>Indeed - Posted on Macon Co. Indeed Site (Free Ad) - 2/22/22 - 1 Candidate - application not submitted to NC Works as of 4/7/22 but have made several f/u attempts</p>	<p>Indeed Free Ad remains active - 1 Candidate - application packet submitted to NC Works. Packet sent by MCPH to REHS board to verify qualification upon graduation in April.</p>	<p>Indeed Free Ad remains active - 0 Candidates</p>	
	<p>LinkedIn - Posted FREE ad on T. Keezer personal page 2/28/22 - 2 Candidates - did not submit application package to NC Works, but MCPH made contact with candidates as well.</p>	<p>LinkedIn - 1. Free ad continued on T. Keezer personal page. 2. Macon County LinkedIn page created 3/25/22 with position posted 0 candidates 3. UNC-A LinkedIn Group for students and alumni - 0 Candidates 4. WCU Alumni Group - 0 Candidates</p>	<p>LinkedIn - 1. Free ad continued with individual post as well. 2. Appalachian State University LinkedIn Group for students and alumni - 0 Candidates</p>	

Macon County HR
 Environmental Health Specialist Recruitment
 Updated April 7, 2022

POSITION	February	March	April	May
Environmental Health Specialist - Cont.	Facebook - Posted on T. Keezer personal page - 0 candidates	Facebook - Posted on several Environmental Health pages 0 Candidates	Facebook - Posted on WNC Hiring, Local Jobs 828, North Carolina Job Search, NC Jobs - Hiring	
	Glassdoor - N/A	Glassdoor - N/A	Glassdoor - Account set-up for non-paid ads to link to Indeed posts.	
	Job Fair - N/A	Macon Co Job Fair - 0 Candidates WCU Job Fair - 0 Candidates Public Service Job Fair - Fletcher - 1 Candidate resume forwarded to MCPH - no application package submitted to NC Works, but MCPH did reach out to candidate.	Job Fair - N/A	Macon County Spring Career Fair May 6, 2022
	University Career Centers - N/A	University Career Centers - Elon University, Clemson, UNC-A	University Career Centers - N/A	
	NC Works and County Website - 4 referrals to date			



Board of Health
Recommended Changes to Macon County Animal Control Ordinance
03/22/2022

Priority	Proposed Change	Change Details	Reason	Source	Requested By
1	Update Civil Penalties	Change from current \$25.00 on first violation and \$50.00 on second and subsequent violation to a Multilevel Civil penalty system based on the nature of the violation. Civil penalties will be assessed based on the severity of the violation, number of violations within a 24 month period. Possible debt collection after a certain amount of accrued fines.	Current civil penalty system is not an adequate deterrent for correcting the problem. The current civil penalty system often end up in the court system for final resolution. Historically, animal related cases are not a high priority in the court system and often get continued or result in probation with no civil penalties. This creates frustration within the community because animal related issues often remain ongoing due to legal constraints. The goal is not the collection of fines but resolution of the issues.	Modeled after Buncombe County Animal Control Ordinance.	Animal Services, Community
2	Update Definition of Adequate Shelter	Update Definition of Adequate Shelter - Adequate shelter means that shelter which will keep a nonaquatic animal dry, out of the direct path of winds and out of the direct sun, at a temperature level that is healthful for the animal. For dogs, cats and other small animals, the shelter shall be a windproof and moisture proof structure of suitable size to accommodate the animal and allow retention of body heat. It shall include four walls, a roof and a solid floor, with an opening entrance large enough to allow access to the animal, but placed in such a way as to keep the animal out of the direct path of winds. For all animals, the containment area shall be free of accumulated waste and debris so that the animal shall be free to walk or lie down without coming in contact with any such waste or debris, and a suitable method of draining shall be provided to rapidly eliminate excess water or moisture. The structure is to be constructed of durable fiber, wood, plastic, or other non-metallic materials of adequate insulate value that allows an animal to maintain its body heat. Metal barrels do not provide adequate shelter for a dog, cat or other small animal and are prohibited for that purpose. Adequate shelter for livestock may be constructed of a metallic material. Alternatively, a livestock shelter may be natural. This shall not exclude the use of metallic structures as used as transportation and temporary shelter.	To more clearly define what is considered adequate shelter for dogs, cats and small animals. The current definition is open to wide interpretation as to what is considered adequate shelter. Previous Definition - <i>Adequate shelter means that shelter which will keep a nonaquatic animal dry, out of the direct path of winds and out of the direct sun, at a temperature level that is healthful for the animal.</i> <i>For dogs, cats and other small animals, the shelter shall be a windproof and moisture proof structure of suitable size to accommodate the animal and allow retention of body heat. It shall include four walls, a roof and a solid floor, with an opening entrance large enough to allow access to the animal, but placed in such a way as to keep the animal out of the direct path of winds. Metal barrels do not provide adequate shelter for a dog, cat or other small animal and are prohibited for that purpose. For all animals, the containment area shall be free of accumulated waste and debris so that the animal shall be free to walk or lie down without coming in contact with any such waste or debris, and a suitable method of draining shall be provided to rapidly eliminate excess water or moisture.</i>	NCSG on rabies, Buncombe County Animal Control Ordinance definitions.	Animal Services, Community



Board of Health
Recommended Changes to Macon County Animal Control Ordinance
03/22/2022

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3	Update Definition of Adequate Water	Update Definition of Adequate Water - Adequate water means a constant access to a supply of clean, fresh water provided in a sanitary manner and provided at suitable intervals for the species and not to exceed 24 hours at any interval.	To add that the clarify the type and proper interval of available water. Previous Definition - <i>Adequate water means a constant access to a supply of clean, fresh water provided in a sanitary manner.</i>	NCSG on rabies, Buncombe County Animal Control Ordinance definitions.	Animal Services, Community
4	Update Definition of Domestic Animal	Update Definition of Domestic Animal	To add ferrets to the definition to match the current North Carolina rabies vaccination requirements.	NCSG on rabies, Buncombe County Animal Control Ordinance definitions.	Animal Services, Community
5	Update Definition of Proof of Ownership	Add Definition of Proof of Ownership - Proof of ownership. Documentation in support of a property right in an animal that includes, but is not limited to; veterinary records; rabies vaccination certificates; license; photographs; bills of sale; signed affidavits, breed registries; written transfers of ownership.	To add Proof of Ownership requirements to ensure the proper return of animals to their rightful owners.	NCSG on rabies, Buncombe County Animal Control Ordinance definitions.	Animal Services, Community
6	Addition of Section on Animal Care	Addition of Section on Animal Care	Current NCSG requires "Adequate food, water and shelter" but does not provide further guidance often leaving it up to interpretation. The proposed changes are to more clearly define what is considered adequate food, water and shelter in Macon County. To more clearly define proper care and treatment on animals in Macon County.	Modeled after Buncombe County Animal Control Ordinance	Animal Services, Community
7	Addition of Section of Restraint of Dogs	Addition of Section of Restraint of Dogs	To clarify an owners responsibility to keep their animals on their property as not to cause a public nuisance. Currently, there is no leash law in the county so animals are not required to be confined. When animals leave their owner's property and go on neighbors' properties and cause destruction or act aggressively this creates a public nuisance. Animal Control Officers investigating citizen complaints can not act if the animals is on its owner's property. Exception for Police and hunting dogs during season will need to be addressed.	Buncombe County Animal Control Ordinance	Animal Services, Community



Board of Health
Recommended Changes to Macon County Animal Control Ordinance
03/22/2022

Priority	Proposed Change	Change Details	Reason	Source	Requested By
8	Addition to Public Nuisance Section	Addition to Public Nuisance Section	To clarify what is considered a public nuisance in Macon County. This will allow Animal Control Officers to cite specific requirements when dealing with the public and clarify owner's responsibilities.	Buncombe County Animal Control Ordinance	Animal Services, Community
9	Addition of Section on Inspection, Interference, or Concealment	Addition of Section on Inspection, Interference, or Concealment	To aid Animal Control Officers in dealing with complaints from Citizens and investigation animal related issues. To discourage repeated unfounded complaints to intimidate or harass animal owners. Animal Control Officers currently investigate citizen filed complaints and animal welfare complaints to include substantiated anonymous complaints.	Buncombe County Animal Control Ordinance	Animal Services, Community
10	Addition of Section on Proper Disposal of Dead Animals	Addition of Section on Proper Disposal of Dead Animals	To clarify owners responsibilities on the proper disposal of dead animals to ensure public safety and health.	Buncombe County Animal Control Ordinance	Animal Services
11	Addition of Voluntary Livestock Registry	Addition of Voluntary Livestock Registry	To aid Animal Control Officers in responding to livestock in the road calls. Livestock owners would be requested to voluntarily register their contact information with Animal Services to facilitate the return of Livestock from the public roadways.		Animal Services
12	Shorten Stray Animal Hold Time	Shorten Stray Animal Hold Time from 10 days to 7 days.	North Carolina currently requires a 72 hour hold time on stray animals before they may be adopted or euthanized. Currently, Macon County requires a 10 day holding period on stray animals before they may be placed up for adoption or euthanized. The vast majority of Return to Owners occur within less than 7 days of animal entering into the shelter. Numerous animals have not been eligible for adoption or transportation to No-Kill shelters because of the additional 3 day holding time requirement. Animal entering Macon County Animal Services are only euthanized due to behavior issues that make them unsuitable for adoption, medical reasons, or space issues. The reduced holding time will increase an animal's chances of finding a home. Macon County Animal Services is an Open-Shelter and cannot deny entry to an animal from within Macon County.		Animal Services
13	Owner Surrender Adoption Timeframe	Owner Surrender will not be able to adopt for 60 days	To discourage the trading in of animals on a routine basis. Owners who owner surrender animals will not be eligible to adopt for 60 days. Exception can be made based on the circumstances		Animal Services

MACON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

AGENDA ITEM

CATEGORY – OLD BUSINESS

MEETING DATE: April 12, 2022

10(A). Jack Morgan will present the latest change order on the Macon Middle School renovation project for the board's request.

MACON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

AGENDA ITEM

CATEGORY – NEW BUSINESS

MEETING DATE: April 12, 2022

11(A). Please see the enclosed request from Housing Director John Fay to add a new position to his department. For your information, a Weatherization Crew Member is a Grade 21 on the county pay scale with an annual salary of \$28,443.22 or hourly at \$13.6746.

11(B). A representative of the Community Funding Pool task force will be at the meeting to present the group's funding recommendations for the current fiscal year.

11(C). Commissioner Beale and Shelly Foreman with Vaya Health will present information and a draft letter regarding the Child & Family Specialty Plan (CFPS). A copy of Ms. Foreman's PowerPoint presentation as well as the letter to Secretary Kody Kinsley of the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services is included in the packet.

Request to hire one crew member, pay grade 21, with initial funding currently committed to Macon County under the existing American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA). The purpose of the ARPA funds is to allow for ramping up to the implementation of the ARPA Weatherization Assistance Program (WAP). The Housing Department currently operates 11 programs and anticipates the addition of another. The proposed new hire would be used and payed for with these program funds as well as ARPA funds. Duration of employment would be contingent upon funding availability.

When the WAP ARPA program begins it may be necessary to hire an additional crew member based on increased need for capacity to perform contract requirements.

Macon County



April 7, 2022

Secretary Kody H. Kinsley
N.C. Department of Health and Human Services
2001 Mail Service Center
Raleigh, NC 27699-2000

Dear Secretary Kinsley:

As a commissioner in Macon County, the well-being of the children and families who reside there matters deeply to me. It matters to the Department of Social Services staff who work tirelessly to help bring strength and stability to families. It matters to the people at Vaya Health, our LME/MCO, who collaborate with providers, stakeholders, and state and local agencies to continue to improve and expand access to much-needed services and supports close to home. And I believe it matters to you and the dedicated individuals you lead at the Department of Health and Human Services who seek to improve the health, safety, and well-being of all North Carolinians.

The intense scrutiny North Carolina's public behavioral health and child welfare systems have faced in recent years is understandable. Children and families served by those systems have a right to quality care, but there is no standard, "one-size-fits-all" approach. The systems are not perfect, yet Vaya's collaborative efforts have built a solid foundation of stable, personalized, community-based care, with dedicated local providers who are deeply rooted in the communities they serve.

As proposed, the CFSP does not leverage the existing strengths of the LME/MCO system, or the resources already invested by the State of North Carolina into the Behavioral Health and I/DD Tailored Plan model. Vaya Health and other LME/MCOs have already been at work over the last several years on several of the initiatives outlined in the Child Welfare and Family Well-being Transformation Team's action plan and will carry that work into their Behavioral Health and I/DD Tailored Plan efforts. Recently, Vaya's Chief Population Health Officer, Rhonda Cox, was instrumental in helping to shape Transforming Child Welfare and Family Together: A Coordinated Action Plan for Better Outcomes, bringing her decades of experience with creating local solutions to the effort. Establishing an additional, separate statewide health plan to carry out those initiatives for a population currently receiving many of the same services

through existing NC Medicaid plans is not in the best interest of children and families and creates an increased risk for service and system fragmentation, as well as staffing shortages—especially in the rural parts of the state where staffing is already a challenge. A better idea is to implement the action plan by building on what the LME/MCOs have done.

Just as one turns to a trusted contractor when building a house, our communities rely on local agencies and organizations to help build well-being. In North Carolina, these agencies and organizations make up our state’s public health system. Although under renovation through Medicaid Transformation, our system has a strong foundation with Vaya Health—one built to offer stability and well-being to the children and families it serves. This kind of care will continue through regional Behavioral Health and I/DD Tailored Plans when they launch in December and building upon those established foundations will provide the time and support needed to succeed for our children.

Therefore, I ask that NCDHHS delay issuance of the CFSP Request for Proposal as described in the Feb. 18, 2022 Policy Paper, and instead consider a model that allows for regional plans aligned with the existing LME/MCO regions.

Sincerely,

Jim Tate
Chairman, Macon County Board of Commissioners

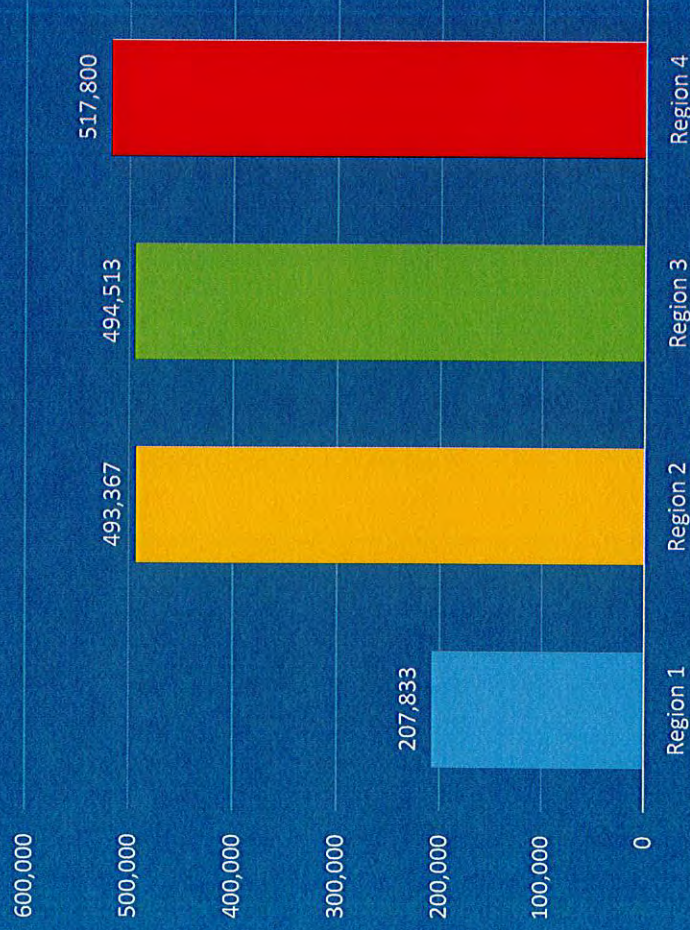
Macon County Board of Commissioners

April 12, 2022

Shelly Foreman, Regional Community Relations Director

Regional Boards

General Population



Region 1	Region 2
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Cherokee Clay Graham Haywood Jackson Macon Swain 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Buncombe Henderson Madison Mitchell Polk Transylvania Yancey
Region 3	Region 4
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Alexander Alleghany Ashe Avery Caldwell McDowell Watauga Wilkes Rowan 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Stokes Alamance Caswell Chatham Person Franklin Granville Vance

Regional Board: Region 1 Membership

	County	Position	Name
1	Cherokee	Commissioner	Gary Westmoreland
2	Cherokee	DSS Director	Amanda McGee
3	Clay	Commissioner	Clay Logan
4	Clay	County Manager	Debbie Mauney
5	Graham	Commissioner	Connie Orr
6	Graham	Commissioner	Dale Wiggins
7	Haywood	Commissioner	Jennifer Best
8	Haywood	HHSA Director	Ira Dove (Vice Chair)
9	Jackson	Commissioner	Brian McMahan
10	Jackson	County Manager	Don Adams
11	Macon	Commissioner	Ronnie Beale (Chair)
12	Macon	DSS Director	Patrick Betancourt
13	Swain	Commissioner	Kevin Seagle
14	Swain	County Manager	Kevin King

Board of Directors Membership ^{BS2}

Seat	Region	County	Position	Name
1	1	Macon	Commissioner	Ronnie Beale
2	1	Haywood	HHSA Director	Ira Dove
3	2	Henderson	Commissioner	Bill Lapsley
4	2	Mitchell	Commissioner	Brandon Pittman
5	3	Watauga	Commissioner	Billy Kennedy
6	3	Rowan	Commissioner	Judy Klusman
7	4	Vance	Commissioner	Dan Brummitt
8	4	Franklin	Commissioner	Cedric Jones
9	1	N/A	N/A	Mary Ann Widenhouse
10	2	N/A	N/A	Nancy Baker
11	3	N/A	N/A	Pat McGinnis
12	4	N/A	N/A	Benita Purcell
13	3	Alexander	County Manager	Rick French
14		N/A	Insurance Expertise	Mike Norris
15		N/A	Health Care Expertise	Tim Fitzsimons
16	4	Alamance	Commissioner	John Paisley
17	2	Buncombe	Assistant County Manager	Dakisha "DK" Wesley
18	3	McDowell	County Manager	Ashley Wooten
19		N/A	PAC President	Carson Ojamaa
20	2	Transylvania	N/A	Page Lemel *DHHS Approval Pending*
21		N/A	DSS Director	Patrick Betancourt

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Brian Shuping, 3/3/2022

Child & Family Specialty Plan

NCDHHS Plan to Create Specialty Medicaid Waiver for Children in Foster
Care and Children & Youth involved with DSS

- The CFSP will be a **single, statewide plan** available to children, youth and families served by the child welfare system regardless of their location in the state.
- This design creates a **central accountable entity** for providing integrated physical and behavioral health services, I/DD services and resources to address unmet health-related needs under a System of Care framework in **close coordination with County DSS and EBCI Family Safety Program.**
- Only a **Standard Plan or a Tailored Plan** may bid to operate the CFSP.
- Recent stakeholder engagement informed needed changes to **initial CFSP Plan design** and a **shift in the Plan launch timeline.**

**In 2022, DHHS intends to identify a new name for the CFSP to better represent the objective of the managed care plan and its target populations.*

CFSP-Eligible Populations

Initial CFSP Design Eligible Populations

- Children and youth in foster care
- Children receiving adoption assistance
- Former foster youth (FFY) under age 26
- Minor children of individuals eligible for CFSP enrollment**

With the exception of Tribal members and other limited groups, these eligibility groups will be auto-enrolled at CFSP launch.*

*Unless they are in a group that is otherwise exempt or excluded from mandatory managed care enrollment. These eligibility groups will be automatically enrolled into the CFSP, with the following exceptions: Tribal members and other individuals eligible to receive Indian Health Services, including North Carolina's federally recognized tribe (the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians) and state-recognized tribes, Innovations or TBI waiver enrollees, beneficiaries residing in Intermediate Care Facilities for Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities (ICFs/IID), and those eligible for the Transitions to Community Living (TCL).

**Limited to minor children of children and youth in foster care, children receiving adoption assistance, and FFY.

^Pending legislative approval and needed information technology IT system changes. Individuals must be NC Health Choice and Medicaid-enrolled to be eligible for the CFSP. Eligible populations include parents who will retain Medicaid eligibility when a child is being served temporarily by the foster care system and the parent is making reasonable efforts to comply with a court-ordered plan of reunification, in accordance with Session Law 2021-180.

Additional CFSP Eligible Populations^

Medicaid- and NC Health Choice-enrolled:

- Parents, guardians, and custodians of children/youth in foster care
- Siblings of children/youth in foster care
- Family members receiving CPS In-Home Services:
 - All adults included as caregivers in the CPS In-Home Services Agreement
 - All children included in the CPS In-Home Services Agreement

These eligibility groups may opt in to the CFSP.

Benefits

The CFSP will provide comprehensive benefits to meet the needs of children, youth and families involved in the child welfare system.

CFSP Benefits/Services:

- The CFSP will include nearly all the Medicaid State Plan benefits covered by Standard Plans and Tailored Plans including:
 - Physical health
 - Behavioral health
- Examples of Medicaid State Plan benefits covered in the CFSP include (see *Appendix for full list*):
 - Inpatient/outpatient behavioral health services
 - Residential treatment services
 - Mobile crisis management
 - Long-term services and supports
 - Pharmacy benefits
 - Early and periodic screening, diagnostic and treatment (EPSDT) services

Including Tribal Integrated Classroom, Family Safety, Tribal Therapeutic Foster Care, and Tribal Peer Support services

Services Provided only by Tailored Plans*

- A small subset of behavioral health services will only be available through Tailored Plans:
 - Intermediate care facilities for individuals with intellectual disabilities (ICF-IID)
 - Innovations and TBI Waiver Services
 - State-funded Services
 - Respite services through TRACK at Murdoch
 - Transitions to Community Living

*Tribal members will not need to enroll in a Tailored Plan to receive Tailored Plan-only services.

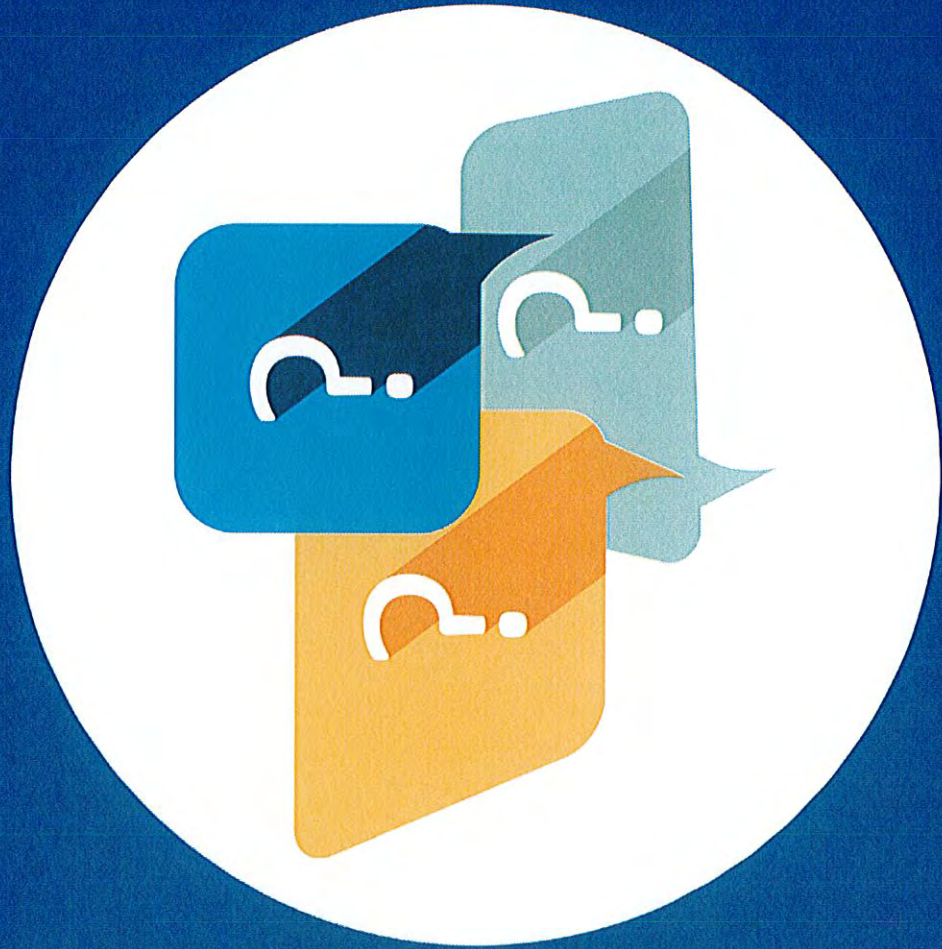
State-Wide LME/MCO Concerns with CFSP

- Formerly called the Foster Care Waiver
- Policy Paper released February 18, 2022
- Proposed to be a single statewide plan, not regional plans
- Would potentially expand the proposed population served by this plan to include both kids in DSS custody, as well as those in pre-custody, and their families
- Vaya collaborated with other five LME/MCOs to submit two responses to the Policy Paper.
General concerns include:
 - Plan is being rushed out without sufficient analysis of impact on system as a whole, including impact on provider network stability
 - Based on false premise that a statewide plan is the only way to create a statewide network and standardization
 - Could potentially undo the work that Vaya and other LME/MCOs have done to create innovative, local solutions to meet DSS needs and divert youth away from institutionalization
 - Rural and smaller counties won't receive the same level of support in a statewide plan

How Can You Help?

The CFSP Waiver would require the NC General Assembly to pass enabling legislation, as it cannot be implemented with existing statutes:

- Write a letter, as commissioner, to the Vaya Health Legislative Delegation expressing your concerns.
- Write a letter as a Board of Commission to the Vaya Health Legislative Delegation expressing your concerns.
- Share “Talking Points” and concerns with your sister counties.
- Discuss concerns with your Council of Governments Board.
- Reach out to your Regional Community Relations Director with questions or input.



MACON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

AGENDA ITEM

CATEGORY – CONSENT AGENDA

MEETING DATE: April 12, 2022

Item 12A. Draft minutes from the March 8, 2022 regular meeting and the March 24, 2022 called meeting are attached for the board's review and approval. (Mike Decker/Tammy Keezer)

Item 12B. Budget Amendments #220-231 are attached for your review and approval. (Lori Carpenter)

Item 12C. Approval of tax releases for the month of March 2022. This information will be forwarded to you separately prior to the meeting. (Delena Raby)

Item 12D. Approval of a Capital Project Ordinance for Greenway Improvements in the amount of \$250,000. (Lori Carpenter)

Item 12E. Approval of a contract with GPRS for underground location services at Franklin High School at a total cost of \$3,500. (Derek Roland)

Item 12F. A copy of the ad valorem tax collection report, which will be forwarded to you separately prior to the meeting. Report only. No action is necessary. (Delena Raby)

MACON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
March 8, 2022
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Chairman Tate called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. All Board Members, County Manager Derek Roland, Deputy Clerk Mike Decker, Finance Director Lori Carpenter and County Attorney Eric Ridenour, members of the news media, county employees and interested citizens were present.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Commissioner Beale requested Mr. Roland to share about the loss of a county employee that we need to remember tonight. Mr. Roland stated that Reggie Perry, a long-time employee in the Maintenance Department, passed away recently and will be sorely missed by all who knew him. Commissioner Shields announced that a Vietnam Veteran's parade and presentation will be held on March 26, 2022, with the parade starting at 10:30 a.m. with a presentation to follow at 11:00 a.m.

MOMENT OF SILENCE: Chairman Tate requested all those in attendance to rise and a moment of silence was observed.

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG: Led by Commissioner Young, the pledge to the flag was recited.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

- (A) **PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING THE AMENDED AND RESTATED AIRPORT HAZARD ORDINANCE:** At 6:04 p.m., Chairman Tate called the public hearing to order. Mr. Ridenour stated there were no substantive changes made to the ordinance in order to meet the requirements of North Carolina General Statute (NCGS) 160-D. With no one from the public wishing to speak on the ordinance, at 6:07 p.m. Chairman Tate closed the hearing. Upon a motion by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Beale, the board voted unanimously to approve "An Ordinance of the Macon County Board of Commissioners for an Amended and Restated Airport Hazard Ordinance of the County of Macon, North Carolina," a copy of which is attached **(Attachment 1)** and is hereby made a part of these minutes.

(B) **PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING THE AMENDED AND RESTATED BUILDING CODE ENFORCEMENT ORDINANCE:** At 6:07 p.m., Chairman Tate called the public hearing to order. Mr. Ridenour stated there were no substantive changes made to the ordinance in order to meet the requirements of NCGS 160-D. At 6:07 p.m., with no one from the public wishing to speak on the ordinance, Chairman Tate closed the hearing. Upon a motion by Commissioner Shields, seconded by Commissioner Young, the board voted unanimously to approve “An Ordinance of the Macon County Board of Commissioners for an Amended and Restated Building Code Enforcement Ordinance for the County of Macon, North Carolina,” a copy of which is attached **(Attachment 2)** and is hereby made a part of these minutes.

(C) **PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING THE AMENDED AND RESTATED BUILDING HEIGHT ORDINANCE:** At 6:08 p.m., Chairman Tate called the public hearing to order. Mr. Ridenour again stated there were no substantive changes made to the ordinance in order to meet the requirements of NCGS 160-D. At 6:08 p.m., with no one from the public wishing to speak on the ordinance, Chairman Tate closed the hearing. Upon a motion by Commissioner Beale, seconded by Commissioner Shields, the board voted unanimously to approve “An Ordinance of the Macon County Board of Commissioners for An Amended and Restated Building Height Ordinance of the County of Macon, North Carolina,” a copy of which is attached **(Attachment 3)** and is hereby made a part of these minutes.

(D) **PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING THE AMENDED AND RESTATED SOIL EROSION AND SEDIMENTATION CONTROL ORDINANCE:** At 6:08 p.m., Chairman Tate called the public hearing to order. Mr. Ridenour stated there was one change made due to a request from the state after the previous review. He explained that although the county followed the state model in previously penning changes, the county needed to add a statement indicating a warning regarding a damaged silt fence would be issued prior to a fine being imposed. At 6:08 p.m., with no one from the public wishing to speak on the ordinance, Chairman Tate closed the hearing. Upon a motion by Commissioner Shields, seconded by Chairman Tate, the board voted unanimously to approve an updated version of “An Ordinance of the Macon County Board of Commissioners for An Amended and Restated Macon County Soil Erosion and Sedimentation Control Ordinance,” a copy of which is attached **(Attachment 4)** and is hereby made a part of these minutes.

(E) PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING THE AMENDED AND RESTATED WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATION FACILITIES ORDINANCE: At

6:09 p.m., Chairman Tate called the public hearing to order. Mr. Ridenour noted there was a substantive change to the existing ordinance in that appeals will now be made to the Macon County Planning Board rather than the Macon County Board of Commissioners in order to meet the requirements of NCGS 160-D. At 6:09 p.m., with no one from the public wishing to speak on the ordinance, Chairman Tate closed the hearing. Upon a motion by Commissioner Shields, seconded by Commissioner Beale, the board voted unanimously to approve "An Ordinance of the Macon County Board of Commissioners for An Amended and Restated Wireless Telecommunications Facilities Ordinance of Macon County," a copy of which is attached (Attachment 5) and is hereby made a portion of these minutes.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: **Andy Markum** shared his experience with how access to a skate park can provide a social outlet and build self-confidence. He asked the board to consider investing in this project. **Evan Lampkin** reminded the board of his previous presentation and thanked the board for their ongoing support. **John Cisneros** commented that the skate park is going to be a free park and open seven days a week. He said with fewer and fewer activities for youth, this park would be an opportunity for them to build friends and a sense of community. **Daniel Lawton** stated that the community has raised almost \$12,000 in funding and that the projected cost is over \$100,000. He shared that \$35,000 will be needed soon to cover the cost of concrete and rebar. Mr. Lawton commented that this park will provide years of fun in a free park and that the board's support could help in lighting a fire of importance to other organizations. **Olga Pader** stated she was here because the park is something very dear to her. She said the park would prevent the young people from breaking the law to do what they like and the group needs the support of the board. Ms. Pader emphasized that young people need a place to go, otherwise, they will take a wrong turn. **Mary Ann Ingram** shared about seeing a skate boarder on Walnut Creek Road and on Highlands Road and how unsafe this is for them. She said we cannot afford to lose kids and these kids need somewhere to go that doesn't take a lot of money.

ADDITIONS, ADJUSTMENTS TO AND APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA: Upon a motion by Commissioner Higdon, seconded by Commissioner Young, the board voted unanimously to approve the agenda, as adjusted, as follows:

- To add discussion of the proposed skate part under Old Business as Item 10A, per Commissioner Shields.
- To add consideration of a bid for patrol cars for the sheriff's department under New Business as Item 11E, per Mr. Roland.

Pre-K for Highlands Area – Allison Tate, a teacher at the Highlands United Methodist Church Half-day Preschool Program, gave a background review of the preschool needs in Highlands and stated there is a desperate need for childcare with approximately 39 children currently on the waitlist for the two licensed daycare centers in Highlands. Mrs. Tate indicated there are 50 children on the Pre-K waitlist with up to a three-year waiting period. She said there are five Pre-K programs in Macon County, but none of them are in Highlands and the number of children needing the service is not decreasing. Additionally, Mrs. Tate shared that she will be retiring in May and they are not having any luck recruiting a replacement, as applicants prefer the benefits of the public school system. Maci Bears, a fourth-grade teacher at Highlands School, shared some statistical information about children who are able to attend a Pre-K program versus those who were not, including that the need for special education services is reduced by 39 percent for those attending a Pre-K program. Ms. Bears indicated that teachers and children have two years from the time a child enters school to make gains in their learning deficits, especially in reading, and that preschool is crucial to this process. Rich Delaney, the President and Managing Director of Old Edwards Inn Hospitality Group, shared that Old Edwards has over 500 employees and that availability of early childhood education has not increased with their growth. He shared that employees participate in annual surveys and childcare is always one of the top concerns. Mr. Delaney further stated that recruitment is getting more difficult as people look for educational opportunities and childcare options for their children more often than not when looking at job opportunities. Commissioner Beale stated he would get a report that Macon Program for Progress did around 2018/19 about childcare needs in Macon County for Chairman Tate to share with the presenters. He said the report is very alarming and although it is dated is probably still somewhat accurate. Commissioner Beale stated there is not a Head start program in Highlands and it is better to get children in the system at age three. Commissioner Shields shared that this seems to be an issue on a national level as our public school system is based on a K-12 structure, and the state relies on the counties to provide the brick and mortar. He said if these programs were available, some parents could go back to work. Commissioner Young inquired as to whether this was on Dr. Chris Baldwin's budget for Macon County Schools for the next fiscal year. Dr. Baldwin stated it was not on the horizon for the capital outlay plan. He said there are currently around 90 Pre-K slots in the Franklin area, with 51 of those being income based at approximately \$475 per month. Jeff Weller, a member of Advance Highlands Education Committee (AHEC), presented a draft plan completed by NOVUS Architects following a planning study funded by AHEC at a cost of \$35,000. Mr. Weller stated the plan focused on three primary areas: (1) Provide Pre-K services on campus at Highlands School, (2) Integrate Project-based Learning (PBL) curriculum, and (3) Provide enhancements to CTE curriculum career training. He indicated the estimated cost will be around \$5 million, and the plan has been endorsed by the Macon

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County Board of Education. Commissioner Beale said the next step would be for the board of education to include this plan in its capital improvement plan request. Chairman Tate reminded the board that this was one of his budget priorities for the upcoming fiscal year and believes it to be a huge economic driver for the county.

US Forest Service Plan Update – District Ranger Troy Waskey was unable to attend and this item will be moved to the April regular meeting agenda.

No Wrong Door – No Wrong Door Director Sheila Jenkins gave an overview of the history of No Wrong Door and an update on current services provided. Ms. Jenkins shared that the program is a peer-based approach to help those with mental health or substance abuse challenges. She indicated they provide parenting classes, life skills classes, a food pantry, clothing, pay for hotel rooms for the homeless, provide tents and provide transportation. Derek Jones, a member of the No Wrong Door Board and the Macon County Jail Administrator, shared an update on the services that No Wrong Door has provided to inmates and their families. He said No Wrong Door works with the judicial system to assist with wrap-around services needed both in the jail and upon release. Mr. Jones reported that No Wrong Door has been asked to provide DWI-related services and is in the process of getting approval. Commissioner Beale stated that No Wrong Door is serving more and more homeless folks and is seeing homeless situations where both parents are working, their children are in school, and they cannot find housing. Sheriff Holland voiced his appreciation for No Wrong Door, their board members and those who had been involved since its inception and in its ongoing success.

Resolution in recognition of Macon County Crawford Senior Center volunteers – Macon County Senior Services Administrative Officer Jennifer Hollifield shared that the center lost about half of their volunteers during the COVID pandemic, as most of them are elderly and wanted to protect themselves. In spite of this loss, Ms. Hollifield stated volunteers provided 3,200 hours of their time in 2021 which consisted of serving 676 individuals (400 volunteer hours) in the SHIIP program, providing 820 hours of activities, delivering 10,000 home meals (1,000 volunteer hours), and serving 26,000 congregate meals. She stated she was passionate about the volunteers and requested the board approve the resolution declaring April 17-23, 2022 as Macon County Volunteer Week. Upon a motion by Commissioner Beale, seconded by Commissioner Young, the board voted unanimously to approve the resolution as presented, a copy of which is attached **(Attachment 6)** and is hereby made a part of these minutes.

OLD BUSINESS:

Skate Park – Tim Shaw with SK828 Franklin stated the new skate park would be a 6,000-square-foot concrete park with a cost exceeding \$120,000. He stated there would be opportunities for beginner to expert level skate boarding, and JE Dunn Construction, the company who is building the new hospital, will build the complex. He said the park would also allow bicycles, inline skates and even roller skates. Mr. Shaw shared that the youth involved have raised over \$10,000 and have deposited those funds through the Region A Foundation, who is the fiduciary agent. He said they have applied for a grant and has asked for support from the Franklin Town Council. After some discussion regarding oversight, supervision, liability, budget and lighting, a motion was made by Commissioner Shields, seconded by Commissioner Beale, to allocate \$35,000 from contingency to the Region A Foundation for the skate park. The vote was unanimous. Mr. Shaw was asked by members of the board to request additional funds for next fiscal year by sending a request to the county manager before April 15, 2021.

NEW BUSINESS:

Business Development Center Lease Renewals – Economic Development Director Tommy Jenkins presented three renewals for the lease of space in the county's Business Development Center, as follows:

- (1) **AG1, LLC.** Upon a motion by Commissioner Beale, seconded by Commissioner Shields, the board voted unanimously to approve a resolution declaring the property (Unit A) as surplus along with a one-year lease that will commence on December 1, 2021 and end on November 30, 2022. The monthly rent is \$1,840, and copies of the resolution and lease are attached **(Attachment 7)** and are hereby made a part of these minutes.

- (2) **TECO SSL, Inc.** Upon a motion by Commissioner Higdon, seconded by Commissioner Young, the board voted unanimously to approve a resolution declaring the property (Unit B) surplus along with a one-year lease that will commence on November 14, 2021 and end on November 13, 2022. The monthly rent is \$1,218, and copies of the resolution and lease are attached **(Attachment 8)** and are hereby made a part of these minutes.

- (3) **Waterwheel Manufacturing, Inc.** Upon a motion by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Shields, the board voted unanimously to approve a resolution declaring the property (Unit C) surplus along with a one-year lease that will commence on July 1, 2021 and end on June 30, 2022. The monthly rent is \$212 a month, and

copies of the resolution and lease are attached (Attachment 9) and are hereby made a part of these minutes.

Solid Waste – Solid Waste Director Chris Stahl presented proposed contracts for services related to the closure of Phases I and II of the Macon County Landfill. There are four contracts in total, as follows:

- 1) McGill Associates for construction services
- 2) BLE (Bunnell-Lammons Engineering, Inc.) – design support services for permit application and plan
- 3) BLE (Bunnell-Lammons Engineering, Inc.) – soil stockpile sampling and testing services
- 4) BLE (Bunnell-Lammons Engineering, Inc.) – Construction Quality Assurance (CQA) services

Upon a motion by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Higdon, the board voted unanimously to approve the contracts as presented and the accompanying budget amendment to allocate funds from fund balance to Fund 64.

Mr. Stahl also presented a resolution exempting engineering services for groundwater monitoring reporting, and upon a motion by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Higdon, the board voted unanimously to approve the resolution as presented. A copy of that resolution is attached (Attachment 10) and is hereby made a part of these minutes.

Consideration of Change Order #015 on the Macon Middle School renovation project – Jack Morgan explained the details of the change order, which totals \$27,960, stating that most of the changes were housekeeping items along with a new item to cover a dirt garden near the entrance with concrete. Upon a motion by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Shields, the board voted unanimously to approve the change order as presented and the accompanying budget amendment. A copy of the change order is attached (Attachment 11) and is hereby made a part of these minutes. Ms. Hall noted that this leaves a balance of \$362,136 in the project contingency fund.

Consideration of resolution regarding referendum on levy of a one-quarter-cent county sales and use tax – Mr. Roland reminded the board of the discussion regarding this item at the budget kick-off meeting. He read part of the resolution and stated this would help with the Franklin High School project as well as many other projects that had previously been mentioned. Mr. Roland indicated an estimated \$1.7 million in additional revenue would be generated annually and can be used for any expenditure. He noted that item #3 – a question on the ballot - of the resolution has to be worded as presented on the ballot. After some discussion regarding advertising and getting support from the

school board, a motion was made by Commissioner Higdon, seconded by Commissioner Shields, to approve the resolution as presented with the item to be on the general election ballot and this board reviewing the ballot before it is printed. The vote was unanimous and a copy of the resolution is attached (Attachment 12) and is hereby made a part of these minutes.

Patrol car bid discussion – Mr. Roland stated that the purchase order for four Dodge Durangos for the Macon County Sheriff’s Department in the amount of \$140,720 was cancelled by the dealership with an indication that no more Dodge Durangos were going to be built in 2022. He indicated that Sheriff Holland had contacted a dealership in Kentucky who had nine of them available for purchase, which would cover the four budgeted for this fiscal year, four due for replacement in the next fiscal year, and one from an insurance settlement. Mr. Roland requested to release a Request for Bids on March 16, 2022 to close on March 23, 2022. He indicated the vehicles are being held by the dealership who will respond to the bid, although others may respond as well. Mr. Roland had prepared a budget amendment in the amount of \$243,711 to allocate funds from fund balance to cover the additional cost of the vehicles and equipment purchases. Upon a motion by Commissioner Beale, seconded by Commissioner Shields, the board voted unanimously to approve the request as presented and to delegate approval authority of the bids to Mr. Roland.

CONSENT AGENDA: Upon a motion by Commissioner Higdon, seconded by Commissioner Young, the board voted unanimously to approve the consent agenda as presented, which includes: (A) Minutes of the February 3, 2022 continued session and the February 8, 2022 regular meeting, (B) Budget Amendments #187-192, (C) Tax releases for February 2022 in the amount of \$2,123.15, (D) Audit contract for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, (E) Approval of sale of property by private sale by the county manager, and (F) the monthly ad valorem tax collection report, for which no action is necessary.

APPOINTMENTS:

(A) Airport Authority (2 seats) – Upon a motion by Commissioner Beale, seconded by Commissioner Young, the board voted unanimously to reappoint Jack Horton and Richard Rhodes to the Macon County Airport Authority. Term of appointment is for six years.

(B) Library Board (2 seats) – Upon a motion by Commission Higdon, seconded by Commissioner Beale, the board voted unanimously to reappoint Bill Dyar and Debbie Tallent to the Macon County Library Board of Trustees. Term of appointment is for three years.

CLOSED SESSION – None.

ADJOURN: With no other business, and at 8:40 p.m., upon a motion from Commissioner Higdon, seconded by Commissioner Beale, the board voted unanimously to adjourn.

Derek Roland
Ex Officio Clerk to the Board

Jim Tate
Board Chair

MACON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SPECIAL MEETING
March 24, 2022
MINUTES

Chairman Tate called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. as provided for in the Notice of Special Meeting of the Macon County Board of Commissioners, a copy of which is attached (Attachment 1) and is hereby made a part of these minutes. Commissioners Jim Tate, Paul Higdon, Josh Young and Gary Shields, County Manager Derek Roland, Deputy Clerk Mike Decker, and members of the news media, county employees and members of the broadband committee were present. Commissioner Ronnie Beale participated via conference phone. County Attorney Ridenour and Finance Director Lori Carpenter were absent.

Mr. Roland introduced the request for approval of match funding for a NC GREAT broadband grant opportunity. Mr. Roland stated this would not require any new funding and recognized the importance of pursuing the grant for the benefit of the county. He stated \$350 million has been set aside statewide for this round of funding and thanked the broadband committee members for their work in reviewing the grant requirements, conducting meetings with stakeholders and preparing the application. Mr. Roland also thanked state Rep. Karl Gillespie and state Sen. Kevin Corbin for their support in bringing officials from Raleigh to Macon County to participate in public forums regarding broadband.

Mr. Roland shared that the deadline for the grant is April 4, 2022 and that is the reason for scheduling today's meeting. He indicated that two private companies (Balsam West and Altice) have proposed three different projects for submission for this round of funding prior to today, and a third company (Frontier) submitted a proposal today, making a total of four applications for submission. The three proposals received prior to today have a combined total of \$10.6 million with a plan to bring broadband service to approximately 2,000 unserved and underserved customers in the northern and southern portions of Macon County. He further explained that most of the information about the proposals is proprietary information and cannot be shared until the grant is submitted.

Mr. Roland reported that the broadband committee has recommended that in an effort to demonstrate partnership, \$200,000 should be appropriated from American Rescue Plan funds received from the federal government to provide a local match to each of the applications. He indicated this would equate to

\$50,000 per application, but advised that not all applications will be awarded. If the grant is not awarded, the match funds will remain untouched. Mr. Roland stated the allocation of match funds would put these four providers at an advantage by giving them an automatic six additional points on their application scores. In addition, he said the private provider match would be reduced from 30 percent to 15 percent, meaning the for these \$10.6 million projects, the private provider match decreases from \$3.2 million to \$1.6 million.

Mr. Roland requested that the board allocate \$200,000 in American Rescue Plan funding to be used for a local match on GREAT grant submissions as well as authorization for him to write a letter of support reflective of this commitment for these applications.

After a brief discussion regarding the application scoring and award process, upon a motion by Commissioner Shields, seconded by Commissioner Beale, the board voted unanimously to allocate \$200,000 in American Rescue Plan funding to be used for a local match on GREAT grant submissions and authorized Mr. Roland to write a letter of support reflective of this commitment for these applications.

ADJOURN: At 6:36 p.m., upon a motion by Commissioner Higdon, seconded by Commissioner Young, the board voted unanimously to adjourn.

Derek Roland
Ex Officio Clerk to the Board

Jim Tate
Board Chair

MACON COUNTY BUDGET AMENDMENT
AMENDMENT # 221

FROM: Robert L Holland

DEPARTMENT: Sheriff
EXPLANATION: Insurance Settlement

ACCOUNT	DESCRIPTION	INCREASE	DECREASE
11-3839-4850-00	Insurance	\$6,146.00	
11-4310-5565-03	Vehicle Repairs	\$6,146.00	

REQUESTED BY DEPARTMENT HEAD 

RECOMMENDED BY FINANCE OFFICER 

APPROVED BY COUNTY MANAGER _____

ACTION BY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS 4/12/22

APPROVED AND ENTERED ON MINUTES DATED _____

CLERK _____

MACON COUNTY BUDGET AMENDMENT

January 31, 2022

AMENDMENT # 223

FROM: FINANCE

DEPARTMENT: SENIOR SERVICES
EXPLANATION: Extra funds from HCCBG

	DESCRIPTION	INCREASE	DECREASE
113584-439401	Congregate Meals	\$19,441	
115836-568300	Meals	\$19,441	
			\$

REQUESTED BY DEPARTMENT HEAD [Signature]

RECOMMENDED BY FINANCE OFFICER [Signature]

APPROVED BY COUNTY MANAGER _____

ACTION BY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS 4/12/2022

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CLERK _____

MACON COUNTY BUDGET AMENDMENT
 AMENDMENT # 224

DEPARTMENT: HEALTH

EXPLANATION: State reduced funding due to the restrictions by COVID-19. Need to decrease total budget from \$193,552 to \$133,552 in expenditures and revenue.

ACCOUNT	DESCRIPTION	INCREASE	DECREASE
115153-565031	Contracted Services		60,000.00
113511-426007	Minority Diabetes Prevention Grant		60,000.00

REQUESTED BY DEPARTMENT HEAD Karel McNeal

RECOMMENDED BY FINANCE OFFICER Don Card

APPROVED BY COUNTY MANAGER _____

ACTION BY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS 4/12/2022

APPROVED AND ENTERED ON MINUTES DATED _____

CLERK _____

DEPARTMENT: HEALTH

Receiving new funding for Covid-19 per AA 716 FY22.

ACCOUNT	DESCRIPTION	INCREASE	DECREASE
113511-445719	716 CDC COVID-19 Vaccine Revenue	\$ 101,513.00	
115117-555106	Contracted Services	\$ 25,000.00	
115117-555150	Public Education	\$ 10,000.00	
115117-556001	Office Supplies	\$ 10,000.00	
115117-556005	Computer Supplies	\$ 10,000.00	
115117-556011	Operating Supplies	\$ 10,000.00	
115117-556603	Property/Buildin	\$ 16,513.00	
115117-556803	Advertising	\$ 5,000.00	
115117-559202	Telephone	\$ 5,000.00	
115117-569502	Capital Equipment	\$ 10,000.00	

REQUESTED BY DEPARTMENT HEAD *Kenn McTate*

RECOMMENDED BY FINANCE OFFICER *Ken Car*

APPROVED BY COUNTY MANAGER _____

ACTION BY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS 4/12/2022

APPROVED AND ENTERED ON MINUTES DATED _____

CLERK _____

MACON COUNTY BUDGET AMENDMENT

AMENDMENT #

226

DEPARTMENT

VETERANS

EXPLANATION

Roll forward donation from VVA

ACCOUNT		DESCRIPTION	INCREASE	DECREASE
113840	417900	FUND BALANCE APPROPRIATED	430.00	
115820	575055	DONATIONS/GIFTS	430.00	

REQUESTED BY DEPARTMENT HEAD Leigh Tabor

RECOMMENDED BY FINANCE OFFICER [Signature]

APPROVED BY COUNTY MANAGER _____

ACTION BY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS 4/12/2022 meeting

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CLERK _____

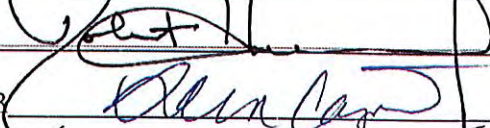
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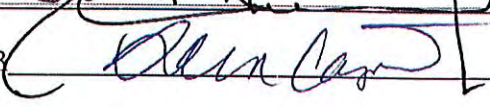
FROM: Lindsay Leopard

DEPARTMENT: Sheriff's Office

EXPLANATION: Appropriate calendar sales revenue to purchase tourniquets for officers.

ACCOUNT	DESCRIPTION	INCREASE	DECREASE
113840-417900	Fund Balance Appropriated	\$5,115.00	
114310-556000	Supplies	\$5,115.00	

REQUESTED BY DEPARTMENT HEAD 

RECOMMENDED BY FINANCE OFFICER 

APPROVED BY COUNTY MANAGER _____

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MACON COUNTY BUDGET AMENDMENT

AMENDMENT # 228

DEPARTMENT 114370

EXPLANATION TO COVER INR TEST STRIPS FPR CCP

ACCOUNT		DESCRIPTION	INCREASE	DECREASE
113850	445807	DONATIONS - EMS	\$ 260.00	
114370	556002	MEDICAL SUPPLIES	\$ 260.00	

REQUESTED BY DEPARTMENT HEAD _____

RECOMMENDED BY FINANCE OFFICER *[Signature]* _____

APPROVED BY COUNTY MANAGER _____

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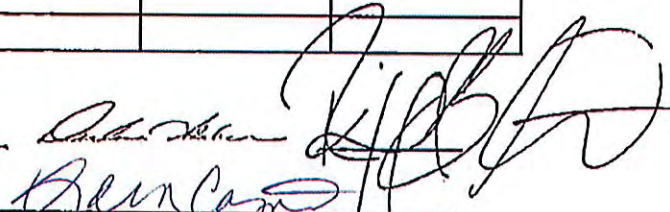
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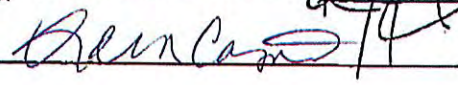
FROM: FINANCE

DEPARTMENT: TRANSIT

EXPLANATION: Transfer HCCBG Funds to the Senior Center

ACCOUNT	DESCRIPTION	INCREASE	DECREASE
11-5837-5683-00	Congrete Meals	\$ 23,500.00	
11-3570-4351-12	TITLE III-HCCBG		23,500.00
11-4935-5500-01	Salary		23,500.00
11-3584-4394-01	Cong Meals	\$23,500.00	

REQUESTED BY DEPARTMENT HEAD: _____ 

RECOMMENDED BY FINANCE OFFICER: _____ 

APPROVED BY COUNTY MANAGER: _____

ACTION BY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS: 4/12/2022 meeting

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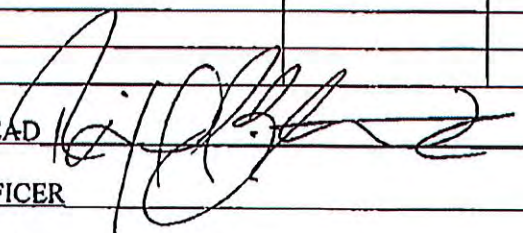
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AMENDMENT # 230

FROM: FINANCE

DEPARTMENT: DSS
EXPLANATION: New Allocation

	DESCRIPTION	INCREASE	DECREASE
<i>Revenue</i>	APS Essential Services	\$4,829	
<i>Expenditure</i>	APS Essential Services	\$4,829	

REQUESTED BY DEPARTMENT HEAD 

RECOMMENDED BY FINANCE OFFICER _____

APPROVED BY COUNTY MANAGER _____

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MACON COUNTY BUDGET AMENDMENT

AMENDMENT #

231

DEPARTMENT

School Capital Projects

EXPLANATION

Transfer \$3,500 from contingency for location of underground spring line at Franklin High School.

ACCOUNT		DESCRIPTION	INCREASE	DECREASE
119000	980046	TRANSFER TO FUND 46	3,500	
119900	579100	CONTINGENCY FUNDS		3,500
463033	980011	TRANSFER FROM GENERAL FUND	3,500	
466033	555100	PROFESSIONAL FEES	3,500	

REQUESTED BY DEPARTMENT HEAD Derek Roland

RECOMMENDED BY FINANCE OFFICER [Signature]

APPROVED BY COUNTY MANAGER _____

ACTION BY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS 4/12/2022 meeting

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CLERK _____

PROPOSAL

Macon County, NC

GPRS

WHAT'S UNDERNEATH MATTERS

UTILITY LOCATING LEAK DETECTION VIDED PIPE INSPECTION CONCRETE IMAGING

When you call GPRS, you're not just calling a utility locating company. You're calling a team of professionals who understand the importance of your project and the potential consequences of a mistake. We're committed to providing you with the highest quality service and the most accurate results. Our experienced technicians use the latest technology to locate and identify underground utilities, ensuring that your project is completed safely and on time.

UTILITY LOCATING: Our state-of-the-art equipment allows us to locate and identify underground utilities, including gas, water, sewer, and telecommunications lines. We provide precise depth and location data, ensuring that your project is completed safely and on time.

LEAK DETECTION: Our advanced leak detection equipment can identify leaks in water and gas lines, helping you save money and prevent environmental damage. We provide accurate location and depth data, ensuring that your project is completed safely and on time.

VIDED PIPE INSPECTION: Our vided pipe inspection equipment allows us to inspect the interior of pipes and conduits, identifying blockages, leaks, and other issues. We provide detailed video footage and reports, ensuring that your project is completed safely and on time.

CONCRETE IMAGING: Our concrete imaging equipment allows us to identify rebar locations and other structural elements within concrete walls and floors. We provide precise location and depth data, ensuring that your project is completed safely and on time.

IN PURSUIT OF 100% SUBSURFACE DAMAGE PREVENTION

March 31, 2022

Client: Macon County, NC

Attn: Jack Morgan

jmorgan@maconnc.org,

Project: 100 Panther Drive, Franklin, NC 28734

Submitted By:

Ryan Mewha

Business Development Manager

Carolinas

704.218.0060

Ryan.mewha@gprsinc.com

GPRS appreciates the opportunity to provide this proposal. I encourage you to visit our website (www.gprsinc.com) and contact any of the numerous references listed. Our insurance certificate and W-9 can also be downloaded [here](#). Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions, or if you need additional information. Visit www.simspec.org for an overview of our industry-leading best practices that will be applied to this project.

SCOPE OF WORK

We understand the scope to be to search for a spring line underneath developed land for approximately 1900 linear feet. We will locate this line using VPI. We will also attempt to provide the depth for a water line. Utilities will be marked on the surface using paint, flags, or other appropriate means. The client will be responsible to provide drawings or notify GPRS of any utilities known to be entering the work area for which there are no apparent surface features or structures that are visible from the work area. The areas should be laid out, marked, and cleared of obstructions prior to our arrival in order to avoid additional charges.

EQUIPMENT

- **Underground Scanning GPR Antenna.** The antenna frequencies range from 250 MHz-450 MHz is mounted in a stroller frame which rolls over the surface. The surface needs to be reasonably smooth and unobstructed in order to obtain readable scans. Obstructions such as curbs, landscaping, and vegetation will limit the feasibility of GPR. The data is displayed on a screen and marked in the field in real time. The total depth achieved can be as much as 8' or more with this antenna but can vary widely depending on the types of materials being scanned through. Some soil types such as clay may limit maximum depths to 3' or less. As depth increases, targets must be larger in order to be detected and non-metallic targets can be especially difficult to locate. Depths provided should always be treated as estimates as their accuracy can be affected by multiple factors. For more information, please visit: [Link](#)
- **Electromagnetic Pipe Locator.** The EM locator can passively detect the signals from live AC power or radio signals travelling along some conductive utilities. It can also be used in conjunction with a transmitter to connect directly to accessible, metallic pipes, risers, or tracer wires. A current is sent through the pipe or tracer wire at a specific frequency and the resulting signal can then be detected by the receiver. A utility's ability to be located depends on a variety of factors including access to the utility, conductivity, grounding, interference from other utilities, and many others. Depths provided should always be treated as estimates as their accuracy can be affected by multiple factors. For more information, please visit: [Link](#)
- **GPS.** This handheld GPS unit offers accuracy down to 4 inches, however, the accuracy achieved will depend on the satellite environment at the time of collection and should not be considered to be survey-grade. Features can be collected as points, lines, or areas and then exported as a KML/KMZ or overlaid on a CAD drawing. For more information, please visit: [Link](#)
- **Robotic Crawler Camera.** This modular, 6-wheel robotic video pipe inspection camera (crawler) is capable of 0° turns and equipped with varying wheel treads and sizes to adapt to most pipe applications. The crawler is typically used to inspect and locate pipes that are 8" in diameter and greater. The crawler is controlled by an operator at the surface using a remote control that allows for video to be viewed live during collection so observations can be made and noted as the crawler travels through the pipe. This camera is equipped with a 512 Hz sonde behind the camera head that can be located from above ground and provide the approximate depth to the pipe for pipes up to 10' deep. The locatable signal from the sonde does not pass through metal pipes or solid metal barriers except for cast-iron. Access through a structure such as a manhole, catch basin, etc. or an open pipe within arm's reach is required for inspection service and locating. When inserted, the camera can be directed through the pipe to a maximum of 1000'. For large diameter pipe applications (24" and above) the crawler can be coupled with the carriage that allows for larger and more rugged wheels to be attached and a lift that raises the camera head up to 18" allowing for the camera to be centered in the pipe for lines up to 36" in diameter. If the project requires entry into confined spaces to gain access to the subject piping, this would need to be coordinated by the client and a permit obtained if required. Video and photos of the interior of pipes can be provided along with inspection reports. Inspection reports are available upon request prior to execution of field work. For more information, please visit: [Link](#)
- **512 Hz Sonde.** The sonde can be connected to the end of the traceable rod and pushed through an accessible pipe. This sonde transmits a signal at a 512 Hz frequency that can pass through cast-iron pipes or non-metallic pipes and be detected at depths of up to 10'-15' depending on the conditions. The signal can then be located from the surface using the EM pipe locator. For more information, please visit: [Link](#)

MAP OF SCAN AREA



This instrument has been pre-audited in the manner required by the Local Government Budget and Fiscal Control Act.

[Handwritten Signature]

PROJECT COSTS

		PRICE
SCANNING/FIELD MARKINGS	Described on Page 1	\$2900
MOBILIZATION		
JOB SUMMARY	PDF document with brief description of equipment used, findings, limitations, site photos sent at conclusion of every job.	
GPS MAP	Findings will be collected with GPS and displayed with an aerial image background. Results are not survey-grade accuracy. See example: Link	
ROBOTIC CRAWLER CAMERA	Trace lines from accessible cleanouts and storm drains by NASSCO-certified operator.	
TOTAL		*\$2900
FORMAL REPORT	Detailed NASSCO report of findings with photos, example data, and a site sketch (if applicable) in addition to the basic summary report that is included with every job. See example: Link	Initial <u>DR</u> \$300
CAD DRAWING	Findings will be drafted in CAD with an aerial image background. A linework version will also be provided if the client provides an existing drawing. Results are not survey-grade accuracy. See example: Link	Initial <u>DR</u> \$300

- * This price assumes that we will be given access to perform the work during normal, weekday business hours (7am-5pm). Hours outside of these times are typically billed at time and a half.
- * As-builts and any other applicable drawings should be made available to GPRS prior to the project if possible.
- * A thorough utility search can only be completed if GPRS is given access to all utility structures, interior and exterior. This service is never a replacement for the use of the state One Call system (811).
- * All of our technicians have OSHA-10 safety training or greater. Site-specific safety training is not included in this quote. Please notify us if this project requires additional safety training.
- * These rates assume that there are no certified payroll requirements. GPRS has not been notified of any PLA, DIR, or Certified Payroll requirements. If GPRS receives notice that any of these conditions exist, there will be additional costs

This proposal is subject to the General Terms and Conditions for Services of Ground Penetrating Radar Systems, LLC posted at [Link](#) (the "Terms and Conditions") and is hereby incorporated by reference into and made a part of this proposal. Customer acknowledges it has read and agrees to be bound by such Terms and Conditions. In the event of any conflict between the terms of this proposal and the Terms and Conditions, the Terms and Conditions will prevail. Customer also acknowledges that Ground Penetrating Radar Systems, LLC may, from time to time and at its discretion, modify the Terms and Conditions and Customer agrees to be bound by such Terms and Conditions as modified.

PROPOSAL-SPECIFIC TERMS & CONDITIONS

1. Customer agrees to meet and perform all requirements described in this document and has fully read and understands all items listed within this document.
2. It is the customer's responsibility to prepare the site for scanning, including clearly identifying areas to be scanned, securing access to all areas required for scanning, and keeping these areas clear and free of obstructions. Delays caused by customer's failure to do so may result in an increased price.
3. GPRS does not conduct an investigation, analysis, or interpretation of soil composition, soil/concrete conditions, or geophysical, geological, engineering, or land surveying information. Customer acknowledges it understands that we are merely reporting retrieved data and that we do NOT provide geophysical, geological, engineering, or land surveying services. Customer should contact a professional in those fields if such services are needed.
4. If any work to be performed is within a road or street, unless specifically included by GPRS within this proposal, it is the customer's responsibility to provide adequate traffic control to allow GPRS' personnel to safely and efficiently work in the road/street.
5. If this proposal is not accepted within 90 days of the date shown on Page 1 then the pricing may be subject to review.
6. If for some reason the technician arrives on site and the work is cancelled there will be a charge of \$500.00 per requested technician.

ACCEPTED AND AGREED:

Billing Company Name: MALDEN COUNTY

Billing Address: 5 WEST MAIN ST. FRANKLIN NC 28734

Company Phone/Email: 828-349-2000 PO#: _____ Job#: _____

Print Name: DEREK C. ROBERTS Signature: [Signature] Date: 4.5.22.

**MACON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA
CAPITAL PROJECT ORDINANCE
GREENWAY IMPROVEMENTS**

BE IT ORDAINED by the Macon County Board of Commissioners, Macon County, North Carolina, that, pursuant to Section 13.2 of Chapter 159 of the General Statutes of North Carolina, the following capital project ordinance is hereby adopted:

SECTION 1. The project authorized is Greenway Improvements funded by a grant from the State Capital and Infrastructure Fund.

SECTION 2. The officers of this unit are hereby directed to proceed with the capital project within the terms of the budget contained herein.

SECTION 3. The following amounts are appropriated for the project:

Improvements	<u>\$250,000</u>
Total	<u>\$250,000</u>

SECTION 4. The following revenues are anticipated to be available to complete the project:

State Capital & Infrastructure Fund Grant	<u>\$250,000</u>
Total	<u>\$250,000</u>

SECTION 5. The Finance Director is hereby directed to maintain within the Capital Project Fund sufficient specific detailed accounting records to satisfy the requirements of the General Statutes of the North Carolina.

SECTION 6. The Finance Director is hereby authorized to transfer appropriations between line items within the capital projects fund.

SECTION 7. Copies of this capital project ordinance shall be furnished to the County Manager and the Finance Director for direction in carrying out this project.

ADOPTED this 12th day of April 2022.

James P. Tate, Chairman
Macon County Board of Commissioners

MACON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

AGENDA ITEM

CATEGORY – APPOINTMENTS

MEETING DATE: April 12, 2022

13A. **Town of Franklin Planning Board (ETJ representative):** Per Town Planner Justin Setser with the Town of Franklin, the Franklin Town Council voted at its April 4, 2022 meeting to reappoint Janet Greene as the Extra-Territorial Jurisdiction (ETJ) representative on the town's planning board. Mr. Setser is requesting that the commission concur with that reappointment, with the term to expire April 4, 2025.

13B. **Southwestern NC HOME Consortium Board of Directors:** Mr. Roland is recommending that Housing Director John Fay be appointed to the Southwestern NC HOME Consortium Board of Directors as outlined in the enclosed memorandum from Caroline LaFrienier, a Senior Project Manager with the Southwestern Commission. Term of appointment is until resignation or replacement by the local government.



Southwestern Commission

125 Bonnie Lane
Sylva, NC 28779

Phone: 828.586.1962

Fax: 828.586.1968

regiona.org

MEMORANDUM

TO: County and Town Managers

FROM: Caroline LaFrienier, Senior Project Manager

SUBJECT: Appointment to Southwestern NC HOME Consortium Board of Directors

Home Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) is a federal grant program through Housing and Urban Development (HUD) providing grant funds on a reimbursable basis to provide decent affordable housing to low-income households, expand the capacity of non-profit housing providers, strengthen the ability of state and local governments to provide housing, and leverage private-sector participation.

The Southwestern NC HOME Consortium serves Haywood, Jackson, Macon, Swain, Clay, and Graham counties. Haywood County is the lead entity for the consortium, and Southwestern Commission administers the program. The Consortium receives \$542,373 annually and has also received \$1.9 in American Rescue Plan funds to be spent by 2030. The Consortium awards HOME funds based on the Consolidated Plan's identified priorities:

- increase the supply of new rental housing,
- increase the supply of new homes for homeownership,
- preserve and rehabilitate existing housing stock,
- provide homeownership and rent assistance,
- provide homeless housing.

The Consortium Board of directors shall serve in an advisory capacity to the Haywood County Board of Commissioners and shall be comprised of one voting member appointed by each participating local government (member does not have to be an elected official). The appointed member should have the capacity to attend at least quarterly meetings and have an interest in housing in your jurisdiction as well as the region. The appointed member shall serve entirely at the discretion of the local government and the appointed member shall serve until resignation or replacement by the local government.

The Board of Directors will make funding recommendations to the Haywood County Board of Commissioners based on selection criteria and the priorities identified above. Southwestern Commission staff will prepare a report comparing requests for funds to Southwestern NC HOME Consortium's identified priorities, policies, and procedures.

Please submit the name and contact information of your appointed individual (email address and phone number) to Caroline LaFrienier (caroline@regiona.org) by February 25th, 2022, at 5:00 p.m.

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